OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: RILEY

SUBJECT: LEADERSHIPPLENTY MISSISSIPPI PARTICIPANTS

DATE 4/11/03 **CC:** SEWELL

You are speaking at the *LeadershipPlenty Mississippi*'s opening luncheon on Monday at 12:00 noon. I've attached the list of *LeadershipPlenty Mississippi*'s 22 partners who will be attending. As you can see by the list, each partnership has a team of 2 – 6 individuals.

We have diverse participation from communities and regional organizations throughout the state, although there is not representation from the Gulf Coast (We'll work on this for the next class). Community colleges (East Central), as well as universities (JSU, DSU, USM, MSU) are participating. We also have reps from statewide organizations such as the Extension Service, BellSouth Pioneers, and the Commission for Volunteer.

You'll remember that the Pew Charitable Trust for Civic Change selected Mississippi as the first state in which the *LeadershipPlenty* curriculum will be offered statewide. *LeadershipPlenty Mississippi* is designed to strengthen community leadership by equipping citizens to take civic action.

Monday's luncheon opens the train-the-trainer 3-day session for our 22 partners. These teams will then return to their respective communities to provide the *LeadershipPlenty Mississippi* curriculum to a class of citizens interested in civic change and leadership. Pew will sponsor future training sessions in Jackson to enable additional communities to participate. Suzanne Morse of Pew already has a running list of additional communities who want to participate in *LeadershipPlenty Mississippi*'s next class scheduled for next fall.

Pew is sponsoring a reception at the Mansion Tuesday evening for the partners and you are scheduled to make an appearance at that event.

Robin Robinson, who is serving on Leadership Mississippi's team, will be introducing you at the luncheon. John is preparing comments.